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CLAIMS

[1] (amended) A compressor for compressing air applied to a jet engine, the compressor characterized by comprising:

- 5 a titanium compressor case composed of a titanium alloy;
 a compressor rotor arranged inside the compressor case, the
compressor rotor including plural titanium rotor blades at even
intervals and being rotatable around a case axial center of the
titanium compressor case,
- 10 wherein each of the titanium rotor blades includes;
 a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy;
 a deposition layer formed at a tip end portion of the rotor
blade main body, the deposition layer being formed by using a first
electrode composed of a first molded body molded from a powder
15 of a cobalt-chromium alloy or a nickel alloy, or the first molded
body processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric
discharges between the tip end portion of the rotor blade main
body and the first electrode in an electrically insulating liquid
or gas, and welding a material of the first electrode or a reacting
20 substance of the material of the first electrode on the tip end
portion of the blade main body by means of energy of the electric
discharges; and
 an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a blade
pressure side of the deposition layer, the abrasive coating being
25 formed by using a second electrode composed of a second molded
body molded from a mixed powder including a powder of a metal and
a powder of a ceramic or the second electrode processed with a
heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between
the blade pressure side of the deposition layer and the second
30 electrode in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding
a material of the second electrode or a reacting substance of the
material of the second electrode on the blade pressure side of
the deposition layer by means of energy of the electric discharges.
- [2] (amended) A compressor for compressing air applied to a jet engine,
35 the compressor characterized by comprising:
 a titanium compressor case composed of a titanium alloy;

a compressor rotor arranged inside the compressor case, the compressor rotor including plural titanium rotor blades at even intervals and being rotatable around a case axial center of the titanium compressor case,

5 wherein each of the titanium rotor blades includes;

a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy;

a deposition layer formed at a tip end portion of the rotor blade main body, the deposition layer being formed by using a first electrode composed of a first molded body molded from a powder
10 of a cobalt-chromium alloy or a nickel alloy, or the first molded body processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the tip end portion of the rotor blade main body and the first electrode in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material of the first electrode or a reacting
15 substance of the material of the first electrode on the tip end portion of the blade main body by means of energy of the electric discharges; and

an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a blade pressure side of the deposition layer, the abrasive coating being
20 formed by using a second electrode composed of a solid body of Si, a second molded body molded from a powder of Si, or the second molded body processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the blade pressure side of the deposition layer and the second electrode in an electrically
25 insulating oil, and welding a material of the second electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the second electrode on the blade pressure side of the deposition layer by means of energy of the electric discharges.

[3] The compressor recited in claim 1 or claim 2, characterized
30 in that fused portions are respectively generated at a boundary between the deposition layer and the tip end portion of the rotor blade main body and a boundary between the abrasive coating and the deposition layer, in each of the fused portions a composition ratio grading in its thickness direction, the fused portions being
35 constituted so as to be 3 μ m or more and 20 μ m or less in thickness.

[4] (amended) A compressor for compressing air applied to a jet engine,

the compressor characterized by comprising:

a titanium compressor case composed of a titanium alloy;
a compressor rotor arranged inside the compressor case, the
compressor rotor including plural titanium rotor blades at even
5 intervals and being rotatable around a case axial center of the
titanium compressor case,

wherein each of the titanium rotor blades includes;
a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy; and
an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a portion
10 ranging from a blade pressure side to a leading end side of the
rotor blade main body, the abrasive coating being formed by using
an electrode composed of a molded body molded from a mixed powder
including a powder of a metal and a powder of a ceramic or a powder
of an electrically conductive ceramic, or the electrode processed
15 with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges
between the portion ranging from the blade pressure side to the
leading end side of the rotor blade main body and the electrode
in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material
of the electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the
20 electrode on the portion ranging from the blade pressure side to
the leading end side of the rotor blade main body by means of energy
of the electric discharges.

[5] (amended) A compressor for compressing air applied to a jet engine,
the compressor characterized by comprising:

25 a titanium compressor case composed of a titanium alloy;
a compressor rotor arranged inside the compressor case, the
compressor rotor including plural titanium rotor blades at even
intervals and being rotatable around a case axial center of the
titanium compressor case,

30 wherein each of the titanium rotor blades includes;
a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy; and
an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a portion
ranging from a blade pressure side to a leading end side of the
rotor blade main body, the abrasive coating being formed by using
35 an electrode composed of a solid body of Si, a molded body molded
from a powder of Si, or the molded body processed with a heat treatment,

generating pulsing electric discharges between the portion ranging from the blade pressure side to the leading end side of the rotor blade main body and the electrode in an electrically insulating oil, and welding a material of the electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the electrode on the portion ranging from the blade pressure side to the leading end side of the rotor blade main body by means of energy of the electric discharges.

[6] The compressor recited in claim 4 or claim 5, characterized in that a fused portion is generated at a boundary between the abrasive coating and the deposition layer, in the fused portion a composition ratio grades in its thickness direction, the fused portion being constituted so as to be 3 μ m or more and 20 μ m or less in thickness.

[7] The compressor recited in claim 1 or claim 4, characterized in that the ceramic is any one material or any two or more mixed materials from cBN, TiC, TiN, TiAlN, TiB₂, WC, SiC, Si₃N₄, Cr₃C₂, Al₂O₃, ZrO₂-Y, ZrC, VC and B₄C.

[8] A titanium rotor blade applied to a compressor in a jet engine, the titanium rotor blade characterized by comprising:

20 a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy;
a deposition layer formed at a tip end portion of the rotor blade main body, the deposition layer being formed by using a first electrode composed of a first molded body molded from a powder of a cobalt-chromium alloy or a nickel alloy, or the first molded body processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the tip end portion of the rotor blade main body and the first electrode in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material of the first electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the first electrode on the tip end portion of the blade main body by means of energy of the electric discharges; and

30 an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a blade pressure side of the deposition layer, the abrasive coating being formed by using a second electrode composed of a second molded body molded from a mixed powder including a powder of a metal and a powder of a ceramic or the second electrode processed with a

heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the blade pressure side of the deposition layer and the second electrode in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material of the second electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the second electrode on the blade pressure side of the deposition layer by means of energy of the electric discharges.

[9] A titanium rotor blade applied to a compressor in a jet engine, the titanium rotor blade characterized by comprising:

a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy;
a deposition layer formed at a tip end portion of the rotor blade main body, the deposition layer being formed by using a first electrode composed of a first molded body molded from a powder of a cobalt-chromium alloy or a nickel alloy, or the first molded body processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the tip end portion of the rotor blade main body and the first electrode in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material of the first electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the first electrode on the tip end portion of the blade main body by means of energy of the electric discharges; and

an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a blade pressure side of the deposition layer, the abrasive coating being formed by using a second electrode composed of a solid body of Si, a second molded body molded from a powder of Si, or the second molded body processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the blade pressure side of the deposition layer and the second electrode in an electrically insulating oil, and welding a material of the second electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the second electrode on the blade pressure side of the deposition layer by means of energy of the electric discharges.

[10] The titanium rotor blade recited in claim 8 or claim 9, characterized in that fused portions are respectively generated at a boundary between the deposition layer and the tip end portion of the rotor blade main body and a boundary between the abrasive coating and the deposition layer, in each of the fused portions

a composition ratio grading in its thickness direction, the fused portions being constituted so as to be 3 μ m or more and 20 μ m or less in thickness.

[11] A titanium rotor blade applied to a compressor in a jet engine,
5 the titanium rotor blade characterized by comprising:

a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy; and
an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a portion
ranging from a blade pressure side to a leading end side of the
rotor blade main body, the abrasive coating being formed by using
10 an electrode composed of a molded body molded from a mixed powder
including a powder of a metal and a powder of a ceramic or a powder
of an electrically conductive ceramic, or the electrode processed
with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges
between the portion ranging from the blade pressure side to the
15 leading end side of the rotor blade main body and the electrode
in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material
of the electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the
electrode on the portion ranging from the blade pressure side to
the leading end side of the rotor blade main body by means of energy
20 of the electric discharges.

[12] A titanium rotor blade applied to a compressor in a jet engine,
the titanium rotor blade characterized by comprising:

a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy; and
an abrasive coating having abrasiveness formed at a portion
25 ranging from a blade pressure side to a leading end side of the
rotor blade main body, the abrasive coating being formed by using
an electrode composed of a solid body of Si, a molded body molded
from a powder of Si, or the molded body processed with a heat treatment,
generating pulsing electric discharges between the portion ranging
30 from the blade pressure side to the leading end side of the rotor
blade main body and the electrode in an electrically insulating
oil, and welding a material of the electrode or a reacting substance
of the material of the electrode on the portion ranging from the
blade pressure side to the leading end side of the rotor blade
35 main body by means of energy of the electric discharges.

[13] (amended) The titanium rotor blade recited in claim 11 or claim

12, characterized in that a fused portion is generated at a boundary between the abrasive coating and the rotor blade main body, in the fused portion a composition ratio grades in its thickness direction, the fused portion being constituted so as to be 3 μ m or more and 20 μ m or less in thickness.

[14] The titanium rotor blade recited in claim 8 or claim 11, characterized in that the ceramic is any one material or any two or more mixed materials from cBN, TiC, TiN, TiAlN, TiB₂, WC, SiC, Si₃N₄, Cr₃C₂, Al₂O₃, ZrO₂-Y, ZrC, VC and B₄C.

10 [15] A compressor characterized by comprising the titanium rotor blade recited in any claim from claim 8 to claim 14.

[16] A jet engine characterized by comprising the compressor recited in any claim of from claim 1 to claim 7 and claim 15.

15 [17] A production method of a titanium rotor blade for producing the titanium rotor blade from a rotor blade main body composed of a titanium alloy, the production method of the titanium rotor blade characterized by producing the titanium rotor blade from the rotor blade main body, by:

forming a deposition layer at a tip end portion of the rotor blade main body by using a first electrode composed of a first molded body molded from a powder of a cobalt-chromium alloy or a nickel alloy, or the first molded body processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the tip end portion of the rotor blade main body and the first electrode in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material of the first electrode or a reacting substance of the material of the first electrode on the tip end portion of the blade main body by means of energy of the electric discharges; and

forming an abrasive coating having abrasiveness at a blade pressure side of the deposition layer by using a second electrode composed of a second molded body molded from a mixed powder including a powder of a metal and a powder of a ceramic or the second electrode processed with a heat treatment, generating pulsing electric discharges between the blade pressure side of the deposition layer and the second electrode in an electrically insulating liquid or gas, and welding a material of the second electrode or a reacting

substance of the material of the second electrode on the blade pressure side of the deposition layer by means of energy of the electric discharges.